

Harmonised unemployment rate by sex

% (seasonally adjusted)

Total

geo	time	2012M04	2012M05	2012M06	2012M07	2012M08	2012M09	2012M10	2012M11	2012M12	2013M01	2013M02	2013M03
Euro area (changing composition)		11.2	11.3	11.4	11.4	11.5	11.6	11.7	11.8	11.8	12.0	12.0	:
Euro area (17 countries)		11.2	11.3	11.4	11.4	11.5	11.6	11.7	11.8	11.8	12.0	12.0	:
Euro area (16 countries)		11.2	11.3	11.4	11.4	11.5	11.6	11.7	11.8	11.8	12.0	12.0	:
EU (27 countries)		10.3	10.4	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.6	10.7	10.7	10.7	10.8	10.9	:
EU (15 countries)		10.5	10.6	10.6	10.7	10.7	10.8	10.9	10.9	11.0	11.1	11.1	:
Belgium		7.5	7.6	7.7	7.5	7.6	7.7	8.0	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.1	:
Bulgaria		12.2	12.2	12.3	12.4	12.3	12.3	12.5	12.5	12.4	12.5	12.5	:
Czech Republic		6.9	6.8	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.1	7.2	:
Denmark		7.8	8.0	7.9	7.6	7.4	7.2	7.3	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.4	:
Germany		5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	:
Estonia		10.0	10.0	10.0	10.1	10.1	9.8	9.7	9.9	9.9	9.9	:	:
Ireland		14.8	14.8	14.8	14.7	14.7	14.6	14.4	14.3	14.2	14.2	14.2	:
Greece		23.1	23.8	24.7	25.0	25.4	25.9	25.9	26.5	25.7	27.2	:	:
Spain		24.5	24.8	25.0	25.3	25.5	25.7	26.0	26.2	26.1	26.2	26.3	:
France		10.1	10.2	10.2	10.3	10.3	10.4	10.4	10.5	10.6	10.7	10.8	:
Italy		10.6	10.4	10.7	10.6	10.6	10.9	11.2	11.2	11.2	11.7	11.6	:
Cyprus		11.2	11.6	11.7	12.2	12.3	12.7	13.2	13.2	13.6	13.7	14.0	:
Latvia		15.2	15.2	15.2	14.4	14.4	14.4	14.3	14.3	14.3	:	:	:
Lithuania		13.4	13.3	13.2	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.1	13.2	13.3	13.3	13.1	:
Luxembourg		5.0	5.1	5.1	5.2	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.4	5.5	:
Hungary		11.1	11.0	10.8	10.7	10.7	10.8	10.9	10.9	11.1	11.2	:	:
Malta		6.5	6.7	6.6	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.6	:
Netherlands		5.2	5.1	5.1	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.5	5.6	5.8	6.0	6.2	6.4
Austria		4.1	4.3	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.7	4.8	4.8	:
Poland		10.0	10.0	10.1	10.1	10.2	10.3	10.3	10.4	10.4	10.6	10.6	:
Portugal		15.4	15.5	15.8	15.9	16.2	16.4	16.8	17.0	17.3	17.5	17.5	:
Romania		7.2	7.2	7.1	7.0	6.9	6.9	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.6	6.7	:
Slovenia		8.2	8.5	8.8	9.3	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.3	9.4	9.6	9.7	:
Slovakia		13.7	13.8	14.1	14.0	14.1	14.1	14.3	14.4	14.5	14.6	14.6	:
Finland		7.6	7.6	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.0	8.1	8.1	8.2
Sweden		7.6	8.2	7.8	7.9	8.1	8.1	8.0	8.4	8.0	8.0	8.2	8.4
United Kingdom		7.9	7.9	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.8	:	:
Iceland		6.8	6.3	5.9	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.4	5.3	5.2	5.1	5.1	:
Norway		3.0	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.3	3.5	3.5	:	:	:
Croatia		15.1	15.2	15.4	15.8	16.1	16.4	17.3	17.6	18.0	18.4	18.7	:
Turkey		8.0	8.0	7.8	8.0	8.1	8.3	8.2	8.3	8.5	:	:	:
United States		8.1	8.2	8.2	8.3	8.1	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.9	7.7	:
Japan		4.5	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.2	:	:

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Short Description: The unemployment rate represents unemployed persons as a percentage of the labour force based on International Labour Office (ILO) definition. The labour force is the total number of people employed and unemployed. Unemployed persons comprise persons aged 15 to 74 who:
- are without work during the reference week;
- are available to start work within the next two weeks;
- and have been actively seeking work in the past four weeks or had already found a job to start within the next three months.
Data are presented in seasonally adjusted form.

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